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REORGANIZATIONS

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FOR SCIENCE COUNSELOR

1. ON DEC 11, 1974 FRANK G. ZARB WAS CONFIRMED BY SENATE
TO SUCCEED JOHN C. SAWHILL AS ADMINISTRATOR OF FEDERAL
ENERGY ADMINISTRATION. SAWHILL SERVED AS CONSULTANT TO
FEA FOR A BRIEF PERIOD THEREAFTER AND IS NO LONGER IN
GOVERNMENT SERVICE. NO MAJOR CHANGES IN STRUCTURE OR
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PERSONNEL OF FEA ACCOMPANIED CHANGE IN ADMINISTRATOR. FEA

PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN IMPLEMENTATION OF US-SOVIET ENERGY AGREEMENT REMAIN THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN FIRST MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE, AND FEA MEMBERS OF TEMPORARY JOINT GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ENERGY INFORMATION AND FORECASTING LISTED REFTEL (B).

2. PERSONAL LETTER FROM FEA ADMINISTRATOR ZARB TO NEPOROZHNIY NOW IN PREPARATION.

3. ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (ERDA) WAS ESTABLISHED JANUARY 19, 1975 AS RESULT OF ENERGY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1974. SAME ACT ABOLISHED USBEC

AND TRANSFERRED TO ERDA ALL AEC FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN LICENSING AND RELATED REGULATORY FUNCTIONS. (FORMER AEC COMMISSIONER ANDERS, WHO RECENTLY SERVED AS US CHAIRMAN OF JOINT ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITTEE, NOW HEADS NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION). ALSO TRANSFERRED TO ERDA WERE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

A) FROM EPA: FUNCTIONS RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION OF ALTERNATIVE AUTOMATIVE POWER SYSTEMS AND DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION OF PRECOMBUSTION, COMBUSTION, AND POSTCOMBUSTION TECHNOLOGIES TO CONTROL EMISSIONS OF POLLUTANTS FROM STATIONARY SOURCES USING FOSSIL FUELS;

B) FROM INTERIOR: HELIUM PROGRAM; FUNCTIONS ASSIGNED TO THE OFFICE OF COAL RESEARCH; FUNCTIONS RELATED TO FOSSIL FUEL ENERGY R&D PROGRAMS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY BUREAU OF MINES ENERGY CENTERS, SYNTHANE PLANT CONSTRUCTION; FUNCTIONS RELATED TO UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC POWER RESEARCH;

C) FROM NSF: FUNCTIONS RELATED TO NEAR AND MEDIUM-TERM DEVELOPMENT OF SOLAR HEATING AND COOLING AND GEOTHERMAL ENERGY.

4. DR. ROBERT C. SEAMANS, JR. HAS BEEN APPOINTED ADMINISTRATOR OF ERDA. DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR HAS NOT YET BEEN APPOINTED. FOLLOWING ARE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS:
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INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, NELSON SIEVERING (FORMERLY DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY, SCI); PLANNING AND ANALYSIS, ROGER W. A. LEGASSIE (ACTING); FOSSIL ENERGY, WILLIAM GOUSE, JR.; NUCLEAR ENERGY, ROBERT D. THORNE, (ACTING); ENVIRONMENT AND SAFETY, JAMES LIVERMAN, (ACTING); SOLAR, GEOTHERMAL AND ADVANCED ENERGY SYSTEMS, JOHN TEEM, (ACTING); CONSERVATION, JAMES KANE (ACTING); NATIONAL SECURITY, EDWARD GILLER (ACTING). DEPARTMENT FORWARDING BY

POUCH CHARTS OF INTERIM ERDA ORGANIZATION SHOWING PERMANENT AND ACTING SENIOR OFFICERSERDA.

5. DR. DIXY LEE RAY, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF USAEC, WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR OCEANS AND INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS. DR. RAY WAS SWORN IN ON JANUARY 19. DEPARTMENT HAS ESTABLISHED POST OF DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR ENERGY AND MR. MYRON KRATZER HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO THAT POSITION. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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